

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT

In re application of : Timo Hillebrand, et al.

Application Serial No. : 10/534,387

Filing Date : November 10, 2003

Title : Novel Buffer Formulations for

Isolating, Purifying and Recovering

Long-Chain and Short-Chain

Nucleic Acids

Confirmation No. : 2884

Group Art Unit : 1637

Attorney Docket No. : 050372

Examiner : Mark Staples

Submission for Request for Continued Examination

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is filed as a Submission to accompany the Request for Continued Examination that is included herewith. The most recent Official Action requiring response was mailed by the Office on June 15, 2007. This paper is timely with the grant of the Petition for Extension of Time of one month that is included herein. If a further extension is necessary, kindly grant one

and deduct the fee for same from Deposit Account No. 02-4800, in the name of Buchanan Ingersoll PC.

Please DO NOT ENTER the amendments that were submitted in the Response After Final Office Action that was mailed on September 13, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 7.